



# MOVEMENT SCHOOL

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## MOVEMENT SCHOOL BOARD | MEETING MINUTES

9.11.19

**Board Members:** Casey Crawford, Frank Martin, Garrett McNeill, Montel Watson, Tim Hurley, Michelle Crawford

**School Leadership Team Members:** Jamie Sumter, Barbara Robinson, Alisha Carr, Gabrielle McCall Riley, Cecilia Armour

**Members Present:** Frank Martin, Montel Watson, Casey Crawford (via phone), Garrett McNeill (via phone), Jamie Sumter, Tim Hurley, Alisha Carr, Gabrielle Riley, Barbara Robinson, Cecilia Armour

**Guest Attendees:** Kimberlee Bielan, Nicole Houchen (PTO members), LeQueita Carter (3rd Grade Teacher)

Meeting agendas passed out at 8:55

Meeting was called to order at 9:02.

Members reviewed the minutes from the 8.15.19 meeting.

FM motioned to approve the 8.15.19 minutes. TH seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

TH reviewed agenda.

TH explained that we need to take an official motion to accept the resignation of Cheryl Turner and Brett McDonough. TH motioned and FM seconded. The motion to approve their resignation was approved unanimously.

TH moved to ratify unanimous consent to change credit card providers and adopt the school use policy. There were no objections.

### **Movement West Business**

#### **Academics**

JS shared we received more concrete data on school performance from last year. None of the data is surprising from what was discussed at our meeting. We are waiting for more information from the state to better determine specifics of the data, which will further inform the team on any additional changes that need to be made.

#### **Culture**

##### Behavior

AC shared we are trending higher on behavior referrals than this time last year. It is still a bit early in the year to draw conclusions on why the trend is higher, but she has some indication, and continues to work with teachers, staff, and parents.

There is a new system for teachers to report behavior referrals (via phone) being used. This has helped decrease the response time from AC and the behavior team, which is positive. AC has met with 10 parents so far this year to help students better settle into the school year. We are seeing more referrals from third grade, and referrals are for students who are new to Movement. The re-entry meetings with parents have been effective. Two students have not had any referrals since the re-entry meetings with parents.

100% of kindergarten parents have communicated via Class Dojo, which is great.

#### Attendance

AC shared an attendance tracking chart that shows 7 students who have had 5 or more absences to date (22 days of the school year). There are 22 students who have 10 or more tardies. This is trending about the same from last year, and many of the students are the same as last year. AC is working with the social worker and School Director (JS) to have meetings with parents. They are brainstorming ways to hold parents accountable for getting students to school, and on time. The board brainstormed some ideas, and the one that seems most helpful is sitting down with parents, meeting with them to help them understand the importance of getting their students here, and on time. TH asked for comparison data from last year.

#### **Financial Update**

GR shared a quick update on the budget. We had an audit a couple of weeks ago, and it went well. We will have the results soon, which will be shared with the Board.

#### **Facilities**

##### Movement West

GM spoke with the construction company to discuss the expansion plan for Movement School West. The building will be phased in in three phases. The building will be a collaboration of Movement School, Rally Charlotte (a non-profit organization), and Novant Health. In addition to the academic classrooms and spaces, it will include basketball courts, therapy space, and kitchens to be used within and for the community. Pricing will be received this Friday.

The leasing office for the housing complex next to the school is opening this fall (within the next couple of weeks), and the apartment units (with Charlotte Housing Authority) will be fully up and ready by next fall. They will be phased in, with a total of 4 units. This project has some impact on the expansion of Movement West, as it relates to surface grading and timeline.

TH asked if we need a contingency plan for 5<sup>th</sup> grade next school year. GM thinks the building may be ready by September of 2020. Three classrooms will need to be placed somewhere for the beginning of the school year. AC and JS have already been thinking about a contingency plan. The board brainstormed potential ideas (e.g. using some space in the school's library, and a big room in the back of the school building that is currently being used for storage.)

#### Access to Community Park

TH and GM have had people come out to look at the possibility of getting the cut-through built out for older students to access the community park behind the school.

Rise Up Gym is having a fund raiser, and has agreed to donate the proceeds to pay for the clearing and buildout. TH and GM will continue to meet with builders and the City to get this done.

#### Washer/Dryer Connection

AC will continue to work with other vendors to get the washer and dryer connected.

### **Movement East Business**

BR, TH, and GM are meeting with the City Councilman for District 4 tomorrow to discuss permitting for the rezoning for Movement School East.

### Facilities

BR shared that the team has been working with the marketing team at Movement on the website content, and marketing materials for upcoming events within the community. The first event is scheduled for October 18<sup>th</sup>- Movies in the Park(ing) Lot. The marketing team is creating information mailers for the community. The Student/Family Recruitment Coordinator has started to contact area daycares and preschools to ask for time to come share about us.

The team has developed a staff recruitment plan. Within the last week there have been two teachers interested in us come visit Movement School (west) meet with BR.

GM shared that construction fencing went up last week. Dirt has started to be moved. A construction trailer will be on site by the first of October. The asbestos and lead paint testing have been done.

The contractors hope to have a pad ready within a month. We are on a tight schedule, but things are looking good.

GM is working with the marketing team at Movement Mortgage on interior designs (i.e. color schemes and interior pieces for the building). This week we had follow up meetings with furniture vendors and continue to work on pricing and design.

TH moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:45.

Closed Session(s): None.